#### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

#### **Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1 - 5. (Cancelled).

Claim 6. (Currently amended) A compound according to formula V in free or pharmaceutically acceptable salt form

$$R_{14}$$
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 $R_{11}$ 
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 $R_{14}$ 
 $R_{15}$ 
 $R_{15}$ 

wherein

R<sub>11</sub> is pyrimidyl;

X is -NR<sub>6</sub>-Y-, -O- or -S-,

wherein  $R_6$  is H,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl,  $C_6$ - $C_{18}$ aryl,  $C_3$ - $C_{18}$ heteroaryl,  $C_7$ - $C_{19}$ aralkyl or  $C_4$ - $C_{19}$ heteroaralkyl, and -Y- is  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylene or a direct bond;

R<sub>12</sub> is phenyl, optionally substituted by one or more substituents, each of which is independently selected from

halo,

CF<sub>3</sub>,

cyano,

amido or thioamido which is optionally mono- or di-N-substituted by  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl or the N atom of which forms a 5-7 membered heterocyclic ring optionally containing an additional hetero atom selected from O, S or N which N is optionally  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylcarbonyl or  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylthiocarbonyl substituted,

carboxylate or thiocarboxylate optionally in the form of an optionally halo-substituted  $C_1$ - $C_{10}$ alkoxy,  $C_2$ - $C_{10}$ alkenoxy,  $C_2$ - $C_{10}$ alkynoxy,  $C_3$ - $C_7$ cyclalkoxy,  $C_5$ - $C_7$ cycloalkenoxy, aryloxy, arylalkoxy, heteroaryloxy or heteroarylalkoxy ester, optionally mono- or di- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted- $C_0$ - $C_1$ alkyl optionally  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl- or  $C_3$ - $C_5$ cycloalkyl-substituted-carbonyl or -thiocarbonyl,

optionally halo-substituted- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkoxy,  $C_2$ - $C_4$ alkenoxy,  $C_2$ - $C_4$ alkynoxy,  $C_3^3$ - $C_5^6$ cycloalkoxy or  $C_3^3$ - $C_5^6$ cyclothioalkoxy,

optionally halo substituted C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl,

oxycarbonyl or optionally N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl-substituted aminocarbonyl both of which are optionally C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>5</sub>cycloalkyl substituted (including thiocarbonyl analogues thereof),

optionally mono- or di- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted - $C_0$ - $C_1$ alkylamine which is optionally mono- or di-N- $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl substituted,

optionally mono- or di- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted- $C_0$ - $C_1$ alkyl optionally N- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted amino-carbonyl or -thiocarbonyl,

optionally N-C₁-C₄ alkyl-substituted amino-sulphinyl or -sulphonyl optionally substituted by optionally mono- or -di-N-C₁-C₄alkyl-substituted amino,

a nitrogen atom which form a heterocyclic ring of 5 to 7 members optionally containing an additional heteroatom selected from O, S or N which N is optionally  $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylcarbonyl or  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylthiocarbonyl substituted, or

sulphinyl or sulphonyl optionally substituted by

optionally halo-substituted-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkynyl,

optionally mono- or di-N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl-substituted amino,

a nitrogen atom which form a heterocyclic rind of 5 to 7 members optionally containing an additional heteroatom selected from O, S or N which N is optionally  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylcarbonyl or  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylthiocarbonyl substituted;

R<sub>13</sub> is H, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>aryl, or C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heteroaryl all optionally substituted by up to 4 substituents separately selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, halogen, halo-substututed-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, hydroxyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heteroaryl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>arylC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heteroarylC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heterocycloalkyl or optionally mono- or di-N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl substituted amino all of which are optionally substituted by halo, hydroxyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxycarbonyl; and

R<sub>14</sub> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>alkyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heteroaryl, or C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub>cycloalkyl optionally substituted by up to 3 substituents separately selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, halogen, halo-substitued-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, hydroxyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylthio, optionally mono- or di-N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl substituted amino, or by N-heterocyclyl containing from 5 to 7 ring atoms and optionally containing a further hetero atom selected from O, S or N[[,]]

and pharmaceutically-acceptable and -cleavable esters thereof and acid addition sales thereof.

Claim 7. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 6 of formula V' in free or pharmaceutically acceptable salt form

#### wherein

R<sub>14</sub>' is phenyl or C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub>cycloalkyl each of which is optionally mono-substituted by halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, hydroxyl, trihalomethyl optionally mono- or di-N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl substituted amino, or by N-heterocyclyl containing from 5 to 7 ring atoms and optionally containing a further hetero atom selected from O, S or N;

R<sub>10</sub> is halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy;

 $R_{13}$ ' is pyridyl, pyrimidyl, piperazinyl, piperidinyl,  $NR_9R_{10}$ , - $CH_2OH$ ,  $CH_2NR_{15}R_{16}$ , - $CH2CH_2R_{15}R_{16}$ , or  $Het-C_1-C_4$ alkyl-,

wherein

R<sub>9</sub> and R<sub>10</sub> are separately selected from H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> heteroaryl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>arylC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heteroarylC<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl all of which are optionally substituted by halo, hydroxyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkoxycarbonyl[[,]];

R<sub>14</sub> and R<sub>12</sub> are separately selected from H or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>alkyl, and

Het is N-heterocyclyl containing from 5 to 7 ring atoms and optionally containing a further hetero atom (e.g. O,S or N) is a N-heterocyclyl containing from 5 to 7 ring atoms where said ring atoms optionally containing a further heteroatom selected from the group consisting of O, S, and N;

R<sub>15</sub> and R<sub>16</sub> are independently selected from H and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl;

X" is -NH-Y'-, -O- or -S-, where Y' is 'CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-, -CH<sub>9</sub>(CH<sub>3</sub>)- or a direct bond<del>, and pharmaceutically-acceptable and -cleavable esters thereof and acid addition salts thereof.</del>

Claim 8. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 6 selected from:

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(piperidino-N-2-ethyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(N,N-diethylamino-N-2-ethyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(morpholino-N-2-ethyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;

- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(isopropylamino-N-2-ethyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(pyrrolidino-N-2-ethyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(3-pyridyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-pyridyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-(S)-phenylethyl)amino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(aminoimidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(aminoimidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-(S)-phenylethyl)amino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-NH-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-NH-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclobutylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-NH-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopropylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-NH-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-(S)-phenylethyl)amino- 4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclobutylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopropylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-(S)-phenylethyl)amino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-(2-hydroxy-2-methyl)propyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-((4-(2-hydroxy-2-methyl)propyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclobutylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-((4-(2-hydroxy-2-methyl)propyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopropylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-((4-(2-hydroxy-2-methyl)propyl-1-piperazinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(4-piperidinyl) imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(1-methyl-4-piperidinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(1-(2-hydroxy-2-methyl)propyl-4-piperidinyl)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;
- 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(benzylamino) imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(morpholino) imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine; 2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(3-fluorophenyl amino)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(pyridyl-4-amino)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine;

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(1-ethoxycarbonyl piperidine-4-amino)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine; and

2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-(2-cyclopentylamino-4-pyrimidinyl)-5-(piperidine-4-amino)imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine[[;]].

### Claim 9. (Currently amended) A process for the production of

## (i) an Agent of the Invention a compound of formula V" in free or pharmaceutically acceptable salt form

wherein

R<sub>11</sub> is pyrimidyl;[[,]]

R<sub>12</sub>[[,]] is phenyl, optionally substituted by one or more substituents, each of which is independently selected from

halo,

<u>CF<sub>3</sub></u>,

cyano,

amido or thioamido which is optionally mono- or di-N-substituted by C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl or the N atom of which forms a 5-7 membered heterocyclic ring optionally containing an additional hetero atom selected from O, S or N which N is optionally C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylcarbonyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylthiocarbonyl substituted,

carboxylate or thiocarboxylate optionally in the form of an optionally halo-substituted  $C_{1}$ - $C_{10}$ alkoxy,  $C_{2}$ - $C_{10}$ alkenoxy,  $C_{2}$ - $C_{10}$ alkenoxy,  $C_{3}$ - $C_{7}$ cyclalkoxy,  $C_{5}$ - $C_{7}$ cycloalkenoxy, aryloxy, arylalkoxy, heteroaryloxy or heteroarylalkoxy ester, optionally mono- or di- $C_{1}$ - $C_{4}$ alkyl-substituted- $C_{0}$ - $C_{1}$ alkyl optionally  $C_{1}$ - $C_{4}$ alkyl- or  $C_{3}$ - $C_{5}$ cycloalkyl-substituted-carbonyl or -thiocarbonyl,

optionally halo-substituted- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkoxy,  $C_2$ -Calkenoxy,  $C_2$ -Calkynoxy,  $C_3$ - $C_5$ cycloalkoxy or  $C_3$ - $C_5$ cyclothioalkoxy,

optionally halo substituted C1-C4 alkyl,

oxycarbonyl or optionally N- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted aminocarbonyl both of which are optionally  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl or  $C_3$ - $C_5$ cycloalkyl substituted (including thiocarbonyl analogues thereof),

optionally mono- or di- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted - $C_0$ - $C_1$ alkylamine which is optionally mono- or di-N- $C_1$ - $C_4$  alkyl substituted,

optionally mono- or di- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted- $C_0$ - $C_1$ alkyl optionally N- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl-substituted amino-carbonyl or -thiocarbonyl,

optionally N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl-substituted amino-sulphinyl or -sulphonyl optionally substituted by optionally mono- or -di-N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl-substituted amino,

a nitrogen atom which form a heterocyclic ring of 5 to 7 members optionally containing an additional heteroatom selected from O, S or N which N is optionally C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylcarbonyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylthiocarbonyl substituted, or sulphinyl or sulphonyl optionally substituted by optionally halo-substituted-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkynyl, optionally mono- or di-N-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl-substituted amino, a nitrogen atom which form a heterocyclic rind of 5 to 7 members optionally containing an additional heteroatom selected from O, S or N which N is optionally

 $R_{14}$  is  $C_1$ - $C_{10}$ alkyl,  $C_6$ - $C_{18}$ aryl,  $C_3$ - $C_{18}$ heteroaryl, or  $C_3$ - $C_{12}$ cycloalkyl optionally substituted by up to 3 substituents separately selected from  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl, halogen, halo-substitued- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl, hydroxyl,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkoxy,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkylthio, optionally mono- or di-N- $C_1$ - $C_4$ alkyl substituted amino, or by N-heterocyclyl containing from 5 to 7 ring atoms and optionally containing a further hetero atom selected from O, S or N and :

X <u>is -NR<sub>6</sub>-Y-, -O- or -S-, wherein R<sub>6</sub> is H, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>aryl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>heteroaryl, C<sub>7</sub>-C<sub>19</sub>aralkyl or C<sub>4</sub>-C<sub>19</sub>heteroaralkyl, and -Y- is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylene or a direct bond; are as previously defined and</u>

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylcarbonyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkylthiocarbonyl substituted;

R<sub>13</sub>" is -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>NR<sub>15</sub>R<sub>16</sub> or - CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-Het wherein

R<sub>15</sub>[[,]] and R<sub>16</sub> are independently selected from H and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> alkyl; and

Het are as previously defined is a N-heterocyclyl containing from 5 to 7 ring atoms where said ring atoms optionally containing a further heteroatom selected from the group consisting of O, S, and N;

comprising reacting a corresponding vinyl precursor of formula VI

wherein  $R_{11}$ ,  $R_{12}$ ,  $R_{14}$  and X are as previously defined with the corresponding amine of formula HNR<sub>15</sub>R<sub>16</sub> or N-heterocycloalkyl ring compound;

#### (ii) an Agent of the Invention a compound of formula V according to claim 6

wherein R<sub>13</sub> is aryl or heteroaryl comprising arylation or heteroarylation of a compound of formula VII

wherein R<sub>11</sub>, R<sub>12</sub>, R<sub>14</sub> and X are as previously defined in claim 6;

#### (iii) an Agent of the Invention a compound of formula V according to claim 6

wherein R<sub>13</sub> is -N-heterocycloalkyl, -NH-aryl, -NH-heteroaryl, -NH-heterocycloalkyl, -NH-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl)-heterocycloalkyl, -NH-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl)-aryl, -NH-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl)-heteroaryl, or -NH-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>alkyl)-heterocycloalkyl comprising coupling a corresponding chloroprecursor compound of formula VII, as defined above, with the corresponding N-heterocycloalkyl compound or amine;

#### (iv) an Agent of the Invention a compound of formula V according to claim 6

in which R<sub>13</sub> is -NH<sub>2</sub>, comprising reacting the corresponding methyl sulphinyl compound of formula VIII'

wherein R<sub>11</sub> and R<sub>12</sub> are as previously defined in claim 6;

# (v) an Agent of the Invention a compound of formula V according to claim 6 in which R<sub>13</sub> is piperazinyl, comprising reacting a corresponding methylsulphinyl compound of formula VIII"

wherein  $R_{11}$  and  $R_{12}$  are as previously defined in claim 6 and P is an N protecting group, with the corresponding amine of formula  $R_{14}$ -NH<sub>2</sub>; and

## (vi) recovering the resultant compounds of formula (V") or (V) in free or pharmaceutically acceptable salt form.

Claims 10 - 13. (Cancelled).